



# REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1, 6, 7, 18, and 29 have been amended. Claims 1-8, 18, 22-23 and 25-29 are pending and under consideration.

It is respectfully submitted that the objections to the Specification and claims and rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 are overcome by the present amendments.

The rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102 is also overcome. Claim 29 recites the guide moving from the paper passing position to the initial position only by a weight of the guide. In contrast, the ribs 43 shown in present Fig. 3(Prior Art) are moved from the dotted line position to the solid line position by elastic spring 45.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections and rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

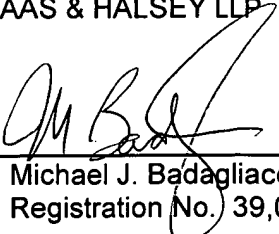
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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